



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Quoin Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084598 and Forest Practices Application No. 2920062. This is an even-aged harvest of 108 acres in 5 units, with 4,731 feet of pre-haul maintenance, 2,220 feet of road construction, 2,040 feet of road reconstruction, and 730 feet of road abandonment.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 189 feet wide on type 3 streams and a minimum 100-foot RMZ along type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- Leave Tree clumps have been marked around a small (< 0.25 acres) wetland within the proposal area.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- New road construction is generally located along ridgetops, and away from streams.
- Road construction will only occur during periods of dry weather, and dry soil conditions.
- Harvest unit boundaries have been adjusted to stay away from over-steepened slopes above streams.
- Lead end suspension will be required on all cable yarding areas.
- The Mina Porter #8 recreation trail will be closed and posted during harvesting operations in Unit #1 and #5. Debris will be removed from the trail upon harvest completion and the trail will be reopened.
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Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Sections 15, 22, and 23, Township 17 North, Range 04 West, W.M., approximately 9 miles by road, northwest of Little Rock, off the C-Line road systems in Grays Harbor and Thurston County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from September 14, 2009. Comments must be submitted by September 28, 2009.

Responsible official: Julie Sackett

Position/title: Pacific Cascade Assistant Region Manager, State Lands

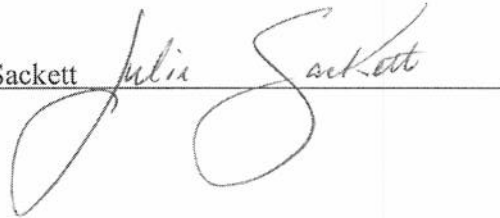
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Signature Julie Sackett

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.